(a) whether it is a fact that record amount has been paid as legal fees by ITPO during the last two years;

(b) if so, the amount paid as legal fees in 1994-95 and in the current year upto 31st July, 1995;

(c) the dues still to be paid to the lawyers by ITPO;

(d) whether Government have withdrawn the legal action against the employees of ITPO who were victimised during this period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e) The legal expenses incurred by India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) appear to be reasonable and account for a small percentage of its total expenditure. The details are as follows:

Year	Legal expenses	Total expenditure	Legal expenses as % of Total expenditure
	(In lakhs)	(in lakhs)	%
1993-94	4.51	4272.56	0.11
1994-95	3.20	7974.00	0.04

A sum of Rs. 3.22 lakhs has been disbursed as legal expenses in the current year (1995-96) until 31.7.1995. However, out of this amount, a sum of Rs. 2.43 lakhs relates to bills of the previous year (1994-95). Besides, bills, for Rs. 4.16 lakhs have been received and are pending consideration.

ITPO is a company registered under Article 25 of the Companies Act. It has a Board of Directors which is responsible for the administration of its affairs. Government do not normally interfere in the day to day management of the affairs of the ITPO.

ITPO has reported that no legal action has been taken against any employee of the ITPO without sufficient grounds.

Export of Homeopathic Medicines

*307. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:
SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Homoepathic medicines are being exported; and

(b) if so, the total foreign exchange earned therefrom during the last three years, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Value of exports of homeopathic medicines during the last three years, country-wise major markets:

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Country	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
Australia	0.24	0.68	0.09
Banglades	5.51	3.37	7.92
Belgium	9.14	—	—
C.I.S.	13.05	—	—
Denmark	62.34	—	—
Germany	12.62	3.27	9.00

Country	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
Italy	8.04	—	—
Japan	6.89	—	—
Kenya	5.48	0.45	2.86
Korea Republic	1.95	1.87	—
Malaysia	4.53	3.13	2.15
Nepal	—	66.73	41.97
Nigeria	4.57	—	0.29
Russia	—	—	75.11
Singapore	0.76	2.85	7.65
Spain	16.70	—	—
Sri Lanka	0.17	1.39	1.98
Sweden	—	118.46	—
Thailand	—	5.00	—
Uganda	13.34	—	5.99
U.A.E.	0.97	298.85	—
U.K.	16.45	—	8.10
U.S.A.	0.29	4.34	4.33
Others	11.52	6.95	12.58
TOTAL:	194.56	517.34	180.02

ACRP Launched by Planning Commission

*308. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission had launched the Agro-Climatic Regional Planning (ACRP) in 1988;

(b) what has been the experience of the Planning Commission on this new project;

(c) whether this planning model has been useful to the Planning Commission; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV A): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The New concept of Planning is based on the natural resources of an area and differs from sectoral planning. The concept is being experimented through five pilot projects, initiated from 1993-94, under different agro-climatic conditions. It is too early to make any assessment from these pilot projects.

Import and Export of various Items

*309. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the items exported to foreign countries as on date country-wise with formalities required, to be fulfilled by the desiring exporters;

(b) whether some items are also imported; and

(c) if so, the names thereof country-wise with formalities to be undertaken by importers?